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Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §§1.114 and 1.111

Introductory Comments

This Amendment is filed in conjunction with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 in the subject patent application on even date herewith. This paper is responsive to the Final Rejection in the Office Action dated November 13, 2006 (the "Office Action"), and to the Advisory Action dated February 6, 2007 (the "Advisory Action"), from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified patent application.

The undersigned would like to thank Examiner Leung for the courtesy of an interview held on March 6, 2007 (the "Interview"), the substance of which is included in the discussion below.

This response is submitted in accordance 37 C.F.R. 1.121 effective July 30, 2003.

Please amend the claims as follows.